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Applicant: Bruce Alexander Leslie, et al.)
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Filed: April 12, 2001) Group Art
For: IMPROVEMENTS IN DRAG LINE BUCKET) Unit: 3671
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 19, 2002. A Petition for Extension of Time (one month) is filed concurrently herewith to extend the response deadline until November 19, 2002. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 1-26

Please add new claims 27-51 as follows:

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